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MYLAN CEO TO TESTIFY BEFORE HOUSE PANEL OVER EPIPEN PRICING

1 Mylan NL Chief Executive Officer Heather Bresch will appear at a Sept. 21 congressional hearing over price increases for its EpiPen emergency allergy treatment, the U.S. House of Representatives Oversight Committee said in a statement. Mylan has been widely criticized, including by Democratic presidential candidate Hillary Clinton, for sharply raising the price of EpiPens, which are carried by people with life-threatening allergies. Mylan, which acquired the product in 2007, recently raised the list price for a pair of EpiPen auto-injectors to $600. The price has been rising from a cost of about $100 in 2008. Mylan spokeswoman Nina Devlin confirmed that Bresch will attend the hearing. "Heather is very good at being able to give an answer without offering much information," said Evercore ISI analyst Umer Raffat. REUTERS

REPORT: CLIMATE CHANGE 'SIGNIFICANT AND DIRECT' THREAT TO U.S. MILITARY

2 The effects of climate change endanger U.S. military operations and could increase the danger of international conflict, according to three new documents endorsed by retired top U.S. military officers and former national security officials. "There are few easy answers, but one thing is clear: The current trajectory of climatic change presents a strategically-significant risk to U.S. national security, and inaction is not a viable option," said a statement published on Wednesday by the Center for Climate and Security, a Washington-based think tank. It was signed by more than a dozen former senior military and national security officials, including retired General Anthony Zinni, former commander of the U.S. Central Command, and retired Admiral Samuel Locklear, head of the Pacific Command until last year.

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US GIVES $38 BILLION AID PACKAGE TO ISRAEL

3 The United States will give Israel $38 billion in military assistance over the next decade, the largest such aid package in U.S. history, under a landmark agreement signed on Wednesday.

The deal, whose details were reported by Reuters earlier, will allow Washington's chief Middle East ally to upgrade most of its fighter aircraft, improve its ground forces' mobility and strengthen its missile defense systems, a senior U.S. official said.

While the package constitutes the most U.S. military aid ever given to any country, it entails concessions by Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu, according to officials on both sides. REUTERS

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A driver holds a sign reading "UberX is killing us" during a December 2015 protest where cabbies and Uber Black drivers intentionally snarled traffic in Center City.
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Uber, Lyft ate up nearly half of Philly's taxi business

A recent study found there were 40 percent less traditional cab rides in Philadelphia since Uber and Lyft started up.

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Gripes from cabbies and medallion owners that Uber and Lyft are killing their businesses are confirmed by a look at the numbers, a new report stated.

Business has fallen from one million traditional cab rides in October 2014, the month that UberX made its auspicious, illegal debut in Philadelphia, to around 600,000 in July 2016, Newsworks reported.

Lyft started operations in Philly just a few months later.

Despite protests that shut down Center City and lawsuits, Uber and Lyft have proven unstoppable, with legislators in Harrisburg reaching a deal in May that would legalize the services in Philadelphia.

In July, Uber reached a much-publicized agreement with the Philadelphia Parking Authority, which regulates local cabs, to get treated as legal operators through September 30.

Legislators return to Harrisburg for the fall session on Sept. 26 and are expected to quickly pass the legislation legalizing taxi apps like Uber and Lyft.

Soured by soda tax, eateries and beverage groups sue to block implementation

A group of opponents of Philadelphia's soda tax are suing the city to kill the levy before it takes effect next year.

Statewide beverage associations and restaurants, including John's Roast Pork and City View pizza, are asking the Common Pleas Court to declare the tax illegal. The tax was passed by City Council and signed by Mayor Kenney in June.

"In light of the sweeping scope and excessive burden of the Philadelphia Soft Drink Tax, the tax will detrimentally affect every soft drink retailer and distributor and all consumers who purchase affected beverages in the city," the lawsuit argues.

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Philadelphia became the first big city in the country to pass a soda tax, with the mayor leading the charge. Shortly after moving into City Hall, Kenney proposed a tax of three cents per ounce on soda to finance universal pre-kindergarten, community schools and improvements for parks and recreation centers in Philadelphia. A chunk of the revenue, less than 20 percent, will go toward the city's Fund Balance until 2020.

During wrangling in City Council, the tax was changed to 1.5 cents per ounce, and now includes sweetened beverages such as diet soda.

Opponents have long argued the burden of the tax would be passed on to customers, and John Bucci Jr., owner of John's Roast Pork, says in an affidavit attached to the suit that the tax would hurt his business.

"I intend to transfer to John's Roast Pork customers any portion of the Philadelphia Sweetened Beverage Tax that is passed on to John's Roast Pork by its distributor," Bucci wrote in a signed declaration. "An increase in the price of sweetened beverages will result in decreased sales volume … [and] fewer customers visiting John's Roast Pork, as well as a loss of customers."

According to lawyer Shanin Specter, who is handling the suit, the tax "is plainly illegal."

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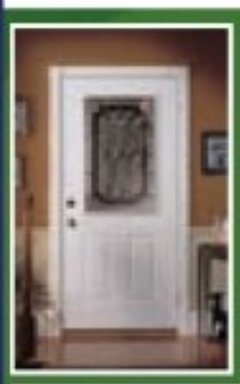

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Mixed verdict for Philly Jesus in Apple Store arrest

Michael Grant, locally known as Philly Jesus, faced trespass and disorderly conduct charges.

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Philly Jesus has another cross to bear: a guilty verdict on a trespass charge.

The man known locally as Philly Jesus was found guilty of defiant trespass, but not guilty of disorderly conduct stemming from his May 2 arrest at the Walnut Street Apple Store. He plead not guilty to both, and plans to appeal the verdict.

"I forgive them for trespassing against me," said Michael Grant, the man behind the beard who spreads the good word around Philly, after the trial.

Grant, who carries a giant cross and often poses for pictures with tourists and fans, was arrested after the Apple Store manager asked him to leave and he refused, Philadelphia police confirmed at the time. Grant said in an official statement later that week that the employee "took offense" to his clothing and appearance as Philly Jesus, and was asked to leave on those grounds alone.

During the trial, the store manager testified that Grant left the store in handcuffs, screaming about religious freedom. But despite the "hundreds" of security cameras in the store, not one captured the incident, Philadelphia Daily News reporter Stephanie Farr tweeted during the trial.

Grant has returned to the store since his arrest with no problem, the manager testified.

In an interview post-trial, Grant said of Apple: "I love them, I love my enemies."

BRIEF

Pastor cuts Trump short during anti-Clinton speech in Flint

The pastor of a black church in Flint, Michigan, stopped Donald Trump on Wednesday in the midst of his remarks criticizing Democratic rival Hillary Clinton, and said the Republican presidential nominee was not invited to talk about politics.

As Trump went after Clinton for her support of global trade deals, pastor Faith Green Timmons interrupted to tell Trump her church had not invited him to "give a political speech."

"Oh, oh, OK, that's good," Trump responded, shuffling papers on his podium at Bethel United Methodist Church.

He then made a few remarks about fixing Flint's drinking-water issues before departing.

Trump was visiting the city to view its water crisis first-hand and extend his recent outreach to African-American voters ahead of the Nov. 8 election. Polls show black voters largely favor Clinton.

He held an event at a black church in nearby Detroit earlier this month and has pledged in recent speeches to help the black community, which he has described as being besieged by poverty and crime.

During his remarks on Wednesday, the New York real estate developer was also challenged by some members of the crowd of about 50 people, including a woman who accused him of discriminating against black renters as a landlord in the 1970s.

"No, I never would, never would," Trump replied. REUTERS

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ISTOCK

Philly surpasses 200 homicides for the year

At least five people were killed and six injured in a surge of violence across the city.

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A spate of violence plagued Philadelphia Tuesday, when at least five people were killed and seven injured in eight separate shootings and stabbings. Among those slain were local rapper Meek Mill's cousin.

As of Wednesday morning, the city's homicide rate swelled to 203 for the year, up 11 percent from the year-to-date tally in 2015.

One of the shootings, which occurred at about 10 p.m. in South Philly killed 21-year-old Angelo Colon, Mill's cousin. Colon was shot on the 1800 block of Snyder Avenue, as was a 27-year-old man who sustained wounds to his legs, police said.

The Philly-born rapper expressed his grief in an Instagram post early Wednesday morning, saying his "mission is to save my family from these streets and change the mindframe of all my lil cousins growing up in it!!!! #RIPLO"

Tuesday's mayhem began in West Philly, where a 25-year-old man sustained several gunshot wounds just after 9 a.m. at 52nd Street and Wyalusing Avenue. He was being treated at Penn Presbyterian Medical Center.

Bloodshed continued at around 12:40 p.m. at a northeast home, when two people were found stabbed to death. Police found the bodies of a man and a woman in what was believed to be a murder-suicide at a home on the 12000 block of Elmore Road near Woodhaven. The female homeowner was found near the front door, and sources said the man, who was her boyfriend, was found in the kitchen.

At about the same time in Kensington, gunfire erupted on Thayer Street near Kensington Avenue, wounding three people on the block. A pregnant woman was critically wounded to the stomach and head, and two men were also listed in critical condition. All three were transported to Temple University Hospital.

There have been no arrests, and a motive is currently unknown. Police are not sure if the victims were the intended targets.

Later in Kensington, on the 2900 block of North Howard Street, a 33-year-old man was shot several times near the front door of his house. A Verizon worker, who was driving near by, rushed the victim, Edwin Cartagena, to the hospital, but doctors could not save him.

Police described the suspect as a medium-build male with a white shirt. He ran north on Howard Street after the shooting. They believe the shooting was narcotics-related.

Cartagena was apparently on the street doing something on his cellphone when the suspect approached him and opened fire.

Just after 7:36 p.m., police found Darryl Singleton, 24, in an alleyway in Southwest Philly near the 5800 block of Hoffman Avenue with a gunshot wound to his head. Police rushed Singleton, who lived on that block, to the hospital, where doctors pronounced him dead minutes later.

On the 1500 block of North Frazier Street in West Philly, a 24-year-old man was shot in the back just before 9 p.m. He was listed in stable condition at Penn Presbyterian, and police have reported one arrest and have recovered the weapon.

Around 9:10 p.m. in West Oak Lane, a man, 27, was shot twice in the back on the 6600 block of North Opal Street. He was taken to the hospital in stable condition. There have been no arrests.

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US confirms two more freed Gitmo inmates rejoined militant groups

Washington has confirmed that a total of nine people freed from Guantanamo have rejoined militant groups since President Barack Obama took office in 2009, according to a report by the Office of Director of National Intelligence.

In the first six months of 2016, two more militants released from the U.S. naval base at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, have returned to fighting, the U.S. government said on Wednesday.

The report said the number of militants freed by the Obama administration whom U.S. agencies "suspect" of having returned to action dropped to 11 from 12 between January and July.

An official familiar with the latest statistics said this number dropped because a freed detainee previously categorized as "suspected" of returning to the battlefield now has been confirmed to have done so.

The United States opened the Guantanamo detention facility in 2002, the year after the Sept. 11 attacks by Islamist militants on New York and Washington, to hold what it described as foreign terrorism suspects. Most have been held without charge or trial for more than a decade, drawing international condemnation.

Obama had hoped to close the prison during his first year in office. In February, he rolled out a plan aimed at shutting it, but that is opposed by many Republican lawmakers and some of his fellow Democrats.

Overall, the figures released by ODNI still showed that the administration of Obama's predecessor, Republican George W. Bush, released far more detainees from Guantanamo than the Obama administration has.

The figures show that 113 of the 532 detainees released by Bush — 21.2 percent - have returned to fighting, while the nine detainees released since 2009 who have re-engaged are only 5.6 percent of the prisoners freed by Obama.

In all, the Obama administration has released 161 prisoners from Guantanamo since 2009, 17 of them in the first six months of this year, ODNI said. REUTERS

BRIEF

George W. Bush to put out book of his paintings to help veterans

Former President George W. Bush will put out a book of his paintings of veterans to raise money to support those who served in the military, using the hobby he took up after leaving the White House.

The book, "Portraits of Courage: A Commander in Chief's Tribute to America's Warriors," will be published by Crown Publishing Group on Feb. 28, 2017, his office and the publisher said on Wednesday.

Proceeds will go to the Bush Institute's Military Service Initiative, which aims to help veterans of conflicts after the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks on the United States adjust back to civilian life.

Over the past several months, Bush has painted oil portraits of 98 veterans he met through his presidential center's service initiative, his office said in a statement.

George W. Bush GETTY IMAGES

The book features 66 full-color portraits and a four-panel mural, along with stories of the subjects Bush painted, the publisher said.

Bush, who lives in Dallas, took painting lessons after leaving the White House in 2009. His paintings of veterans will go on display at his presidential library in Dallas next March. REUTERS

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Storm Julia threatens flooding in coastal SC

Some residents were offered sandbags to prepare.

Tropical Storm Julia dumped heavy rain on Georgia and threatened flooding in parts of South Carolina on Wednesday as it plowed slowly north along the U.S. Southeast coast, the National Hurricane Center said.

The storm, after drifting along coastal Georgia, had gusting winds around 40 mph with higher blasts. Heavy rain combined with high tides raised concerns of flooding in downtown Charleston, South Carolina and other coastal parts of the state into Thursday morning, forecasters said.

Some residents were offered sandbags to prepare.

Julia, the 10th named storm of the 2016 Atlantic hurricane season, could strengthen slightly over the next two days as it moves northeast at 6 mph just off the U.S coast, the Miami-based hurricane center said.

Northeast Florida had earlier felt the storm's strong blasts and bands of rain after it came ashore late on Tuesday around Cape Canaveral, forecasters said.

The National Weather Service in Jacksonville, Florida, whose coverage area includes southeastern Georgia, had received reports of toppled trees, but not significant structural damage as of Wednesday morning, meteorologist Scott Cordero said.

The hurricane center on Wednesday also began tracking a tropical depression near the Cabo Verde Islands off West Africa that was expected to become a tropical storm later in the day or Thursday. On its forecasted track, the system would remain far away from the coastal United States through early next week. REUTERS

Typhoon Meranti slams Taiwan

A car drives pass a collapsed traffic sign, toppled by strong winds of Typhoon Meranti, as it slashes southern Taiwan on Sept. 14, 2016. Parts of Taiwan were brought to a standstill on September 14, as the strongest typhoon of the year skirted past the island's southern tip, knocking out power for more than 180,000 households. GETTY IMAGES

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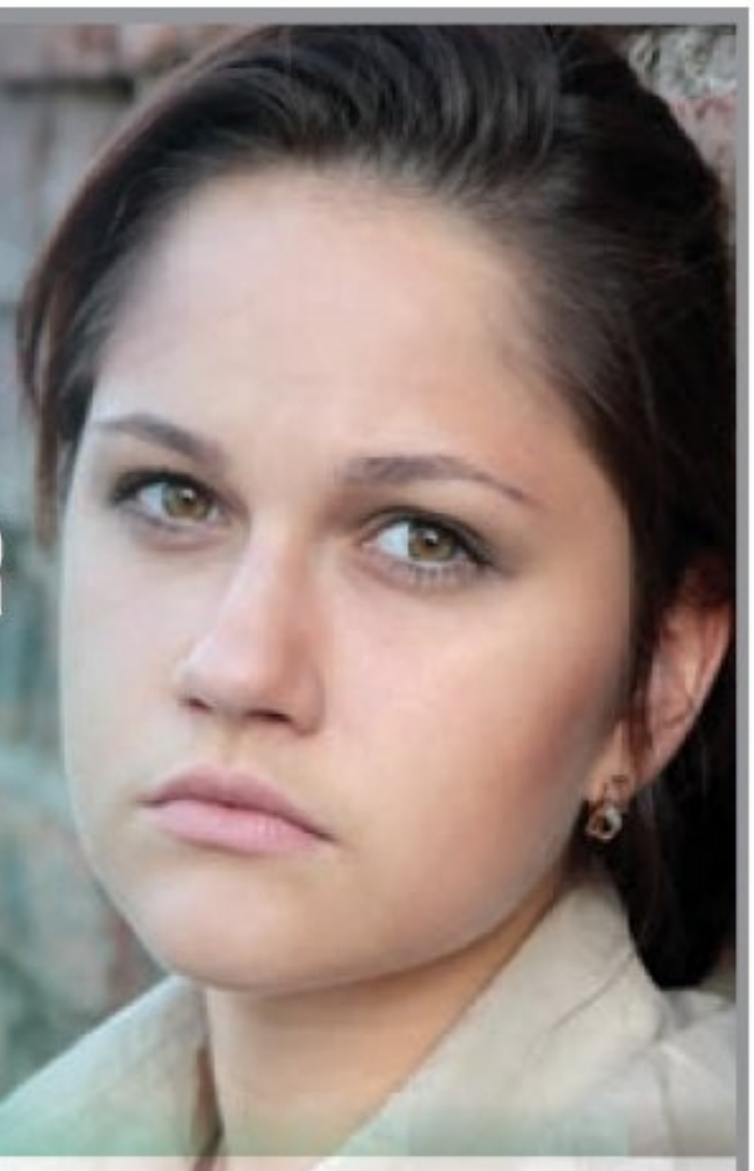

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Adviser: Trump could lose a few pounds, but otherwise healthy

Trump, 70, and Hillary Clinton, 68, the Democrat facing him in the Nov. 8 presidential election, have both promised to release more medical information.

Donald Trump GETTY IMAGES

Donald Trump knows he could stand to lose a few pounds but otherwise is in great health, campaign adviser Sarah Huckabee Sanders told MSNBC on Wednesday after the Republican presidential candidate filmed a TV segment about his well-being.

Trump taped an episode of the "Dr. Oz Show" in New York that will air on Thursday, in which he gave host Dr. Mehmet Oz a summary of a physical exam conducted last week. Trump's campaign has said he will also release more medical information to the public.

The show released a short clip on Wednesday that did not include any medical information. In it, Trump told Oz he had two letters with him showing results of tests conducted last week.

"May I see them?" Oz, a cardiothoracic surgeon, asked, sitting in a chair next to the 70-year-old New York businessman.

"Yeah, sure," Trump said, handing over papers he pulled from his jacket pocket.

Huckabee Sanders said she did not see the summary Trump showed Oz, but said she knew he got a "great report and is in very good health." She said Trump's rigorous campaign schedule showed his stamina.

"He self-admitted he could lose a few pounds," she said. "I think that's most of America, but otherwise he's in incredibly good health."

Clinton this week took several days off the campaign trail to recuperate from a bout with pneumonia, after she nearly collapsed on Sunday at a memorial ceremony for the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks. Clinton plans to resume campaigning on Thursday, her spokesman said.

Previously, Trump's campaign issued a short letter from his doctor saying he was in excellent health, but without such details as whether he takes any medications. Clinton in 2015 released a two-page letter outlining her own medical condition.

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Doctor: Clinton's overall health good

The pneumonia Clinton was diagnosed with on Friday is bacterial and non-contagious, said the letter from Clinton's physician, Dr. Lisa Bardack.

Hillary Clinton GETTY IMAGES

Hillary Clinton is healthy and fit to serve as president, her doctor said in a letter on the U.S. Democratic candidate's medical condition provided by the campaign on Wednesday.

"The remainder of her complete physical exam was normal and she is in excellent mental condition," the letter said.

The letter details the treatment Clinton received in the days before and after Clinton diagnosis of pneumonia on Friday before she fell ill as she left a Sept. 11 memorial.

Bardack has evaluated the former U.S. secretary of state several times, including on Wednesday, after a chest scan on Friday detected her pneumonia.

Clinton received a 10-day course of antibiotics, and since Sunday has rested at her home in Chappaqua, New York, where she "continues to improve," Bardack's letter said.

Only bacterial pneumonia, not viral, can be treated with antibiotics. Since it is not contagious, Clinton was at no risk of transmitting the infection at campaign and fundraising events before or after she was diagnosed.

Additional health records released with the letter show that Clinton's cholesterol and blood pressure are within normal ranges. She takes medication for an underactive thyroid and a blood thinner following a 2012 blood clot in her head while secretary of state.

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Snowden backers press Obama for pardon before presidency ends

Three rights groups launched a campaign on Wednesday to try to persuade President Barack Obama to pardon former National Security Agency contractor Edward Snowden on U.S. theft and espionage charges before Obama leaves office in January.

The American Civil Liberties Union, Amnesty International and Human Rights Watch said the time was right to rally support for a pardon for Snowden, who leaked documents about top-secret U.S. surveillance programs to journalists in 2013, fled to Hong Kong and was granted asylum in Russia. The ACLU provides legal representation for Snowden.

Speaking on Wednesday via video, Snowden told a news conference in New York City that he was "comfortable with the decisions I made" but whether or not he gets a presidential pardon is not up to him.

"I do not myself ask for a pardon and I never will," Snowden said.

Snowden said he could not receive a fair trial in the United States because a law he was charged under, the 1917 Espionage Act, does not let him explain to a jury his reasons for leaking.

"This World War I-era law does not distinguish between those who freely give critical information to journalists in the public interest or spies who sell it to a foreign power for their own," said Snowden, who lives in Moscow.

Edward Snowden GETTY IMAGES

A pardon now may make sense for Obama, the groups said, because he may be seeking to burnish his legacy and be able to act with less concern for politics. Obama, a Democrat, will leave office at the end of his second, four-year term on Jan. 20.

"Presidents normally take some of the most difficult actions of their eight years in office in the final months," Anthony Romero, the ACLU's executive director, told the news conference. REUTERS

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Fake bomb, Muslim attire used in 9/11-timed robbery plot: US

Juneal Ali, 29, was arrested by police on Tuesday and charged with attempted robbery and conspiracy, a complaint in Manhattan federal court said. At a court hearing later on Tuesday, a judge ordered Ali to be detained.

A group walks with an American flag in Lower Manhattan, September 11, 2016. GETTY IMAGES

A New York man has been arrested for plotting to rob a store around the anniversary of the Sept. 11 attacks in which he planned to wear traditional Muslim attire and display a fake bomb, federal officials said.

Prosecutors said Juneal Ali, 29, plotted to rob a store in the Bronx borough that offers money order and check-cashing services on the 15th anniversary of the attacks on New York and Washington.

The criminal complaint said Ali and an accomplice were to dress in Muslim attire, display a fake bomb, and force employees to give them cash.

While initially planned for Sunday, Sept. 11, the robbery was postponed until Tuesday after the accomplice reported too many people were around, the complaint said.

But rather than go through with the robbery, the accomplice instead went to the police, the complaint said. Not knowing this, Ali drove to the accomplice's home on Tuesday, where authorities were waiting, the complaint said.

A search of his car uncovered dark-colored robes, an imitation pistol and road flares bundled with a voltage meter to look like an explosive device, the complaint said.

Ali admitted after his arrest to having made the fake bomb and procured the robes from his mother, but that he planned to tell his accomplice he wanted to back out of the robbery, the complaint said.

Ali's lawyer, Susan Marcus, said he was the owner of an auto body shop and had a 7-year-old daughter as she argued for home detention, according to an audio recording of the court hearing.

Marcus noted that the complaint cited other co-conspirators in the plot, including a third individual, and contended it was not clear whose idea the hoax was.

"I would submit Mr. Ali is certainly by no means the leader or organizer of this hoax," she told U.S. Magistrate Judge James Cott.

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Official: New US black history museum may help dialogue on race

The new National Museum of African American History and Culture may help heal the persistent problem of U.S. racism when it opens in 10 days, the head of the Smithsonian Institution said on Wednesday.

The $540 million museum will be inaugurated by President Barack Obama as racial and cultural differences dominate the national scene, and is an ideal place for a dialogue about them, Smithsonian secretary David Skorton said.

The bronze-colored museum's showcase sits on Washington's National Mall, known as "America's Front Yard." It is the only U.S. national museum devoted exclusively to black American life, history and culture, the Smithsonian says.

"Opening now, at a time when social and political discord remind us that racism is not, unfortunately, a thing of the past, this museum can, and I believe will, help us advance the public conversation," Skorton told a news briefing on the launch of the museum, the 19th in the Smithsonian system.

A statue depicting USA track and field athletes Tommie Smith, C, and John Carlos, R, as they raised gloved fists during their medal ceremony at the 1968 Summer Olympics is housed in the Sports Gallery of The Smithsonian Institute's National Museum of African American History and Culture in Washington, DC. GETTY IMAGES

Although workers were still putting finishing touches on the museum, director Lonnie Bunch said it would be ready in time for the Sept. 24 opening.

"It's a piece of cake," he said. A Smithsonian spokesman said 200,000 timed passes had been snapped up, with no openings available until November.

The 36,000 items in the collection range from trade goods used to buy slaves in Africa to a segregated railway car from the 1920s and a red Cadillac convertible belonging to rock 'n' roll pioneer Chuck Berry.

Other displays include a slave cabin from South Carolina, a robe used by boxing great Muhammmad Ali and the coffin of Emmett Till, whose 1955 murder in Mississippi helped galvanize the civil rights movement. REUTERS

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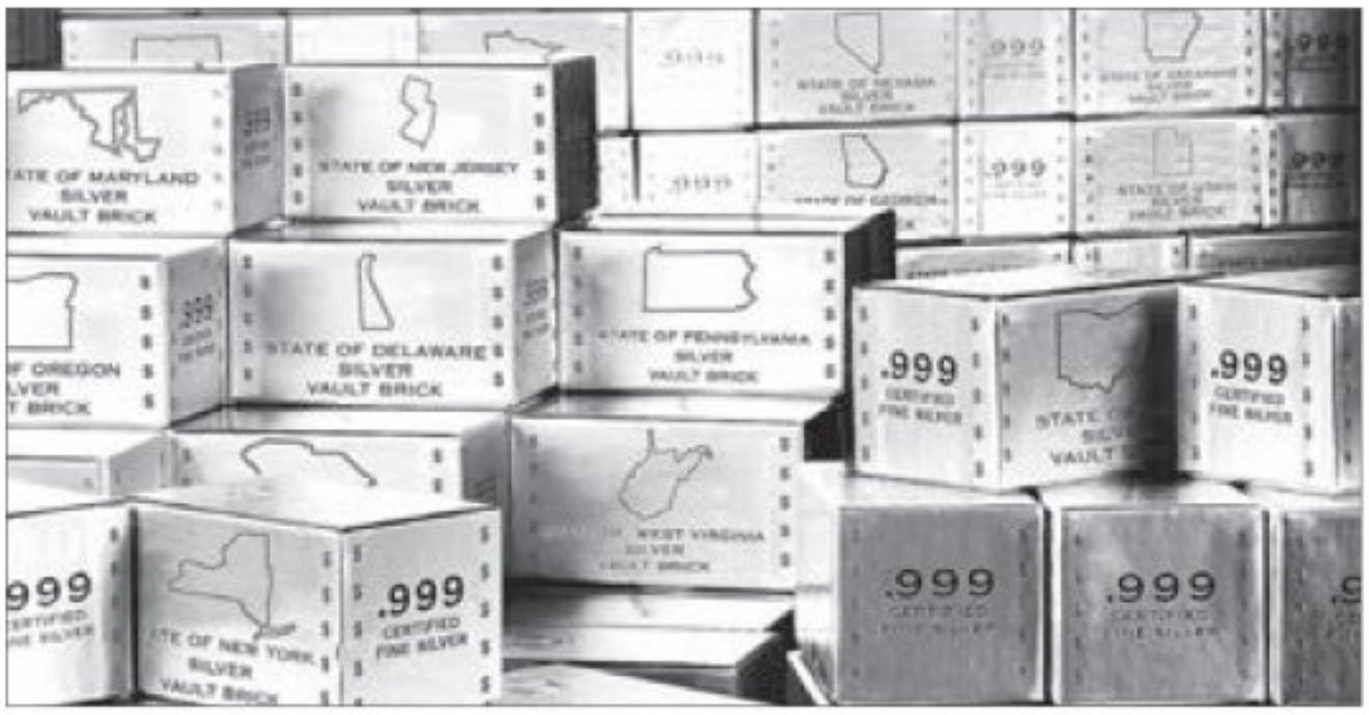

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Zachary Quinto wants you to change your tech habits

The actor talks about how making Oliver Stone's "Snowden" woke him up.

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It's never a walk in the park making a movie for Oliver Stone. For Zachary Quinto, it was rougher than usual. The filmmaker's latest is "Snowden," which tells the story of CIA and NSA employee-turned-whistleblower Edward Snowden (Joseph Gordon-Levitt), who learns that the government can and has been snooping on anyone with a computer or gadget. Quinto plays Glenn Greenwald, the journalist then working for The Guardian, who was one of three (the others being Laura Poitras and Ewen MacAskill) who met Snowden in Tokyo as he leaked the intel that proved malfeasance. The "Star Trek" actor, 39, talks to us about how the film made him much more aware of how technology makes us vulnerable.

Was your relationship to technology already fraught before you made this?

Like most people, I was pretty cavalier about my relationship to online security. I didn't think about it that much. When this story initially broke, my reaction was, "Wow, that's intense — and it probably has nothing to do with me." The more I learned about the documents that were released and how far-reaching and widespread this dragnet operation went — and how many tens of millions were exposed and vulnerable as a result — it made me recognize we're all in this and against it together.

"It has nothing to do with me" is a pretty common line. Most of us probably think that.

It's a complacent attitude to adopt, because you never know when the definitions are going to shift or change. You never know when someone might find themselves in opposition to either the government or on the wrong side of the lines. It makes them more of a target. By that time the attitude of "I have nothing to hide" has allowed groups to collect all kinds of information and all kinds of data and use it against you when it serves them to do so.

It's hard to imagine there being a revolution in which people give up their smartphones.

That's what it would require, whether it was voluntary or brought about by catastrophic undercurrents. If you look at the power that technology has in the cyber world, everything is filtered through online networks. Our entire infrastructure is controlled by this technology. If there's some kind of cyberattack on any of these systems, the ramifications are very real and very dire.

Were there things that you learned that were particularly horrifying?

Reading Glenn [Greenwald]'s book "No Place to Hide" was really tough. It delves into a lot of information on these programs — how they evolved, how they found themselves reappropriated to serve the interests in the NSA and the CIA, and how they infiltrated different aspects of our lives. It was hard to wrap my head around how when you log onto wireless internet networks, they can be rerouted and observed. Certain hardware can be intercepted by the CIA and tampered with to put in catchalls, so that any information that goes through it is rerouted to collection stations and archived. It's this endless labyrinth.

Have you changed your tech habits since?

Only to the extent that I have tape over the camera on my laptop [as Snowden did], I changed all my passwords, I did a two-step verification on all my devices. I did the things we can do. But the reality is at the level we're talking about, we're still vulnerable. We can strengthen ourselves against lower-level interference. But it's when you get to the top of the pyramid, you think, "How safe can we ever be?"

Zachary Quinto, far right, plays Glenn Greenwald, one of three people (including Melissa Leo's Laura Poitras and Tom Wilkinson's Ewen MacAskill) who helps Joseph Gordon-Levitt's whistle-blower leak damning documents in Oliver Stone's "Snowden." JÜRGEN OLCZYK

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Julia Turshen says it's OK to cook with canned beans

The beloved food writer's new cookbook has recipes for everyone.

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While you might not recognize her name at first glance, Julia Turshen is the voice behind the recipes in some of your favorite celebrity cookbooks like "It's All Good" which she co-authored with Gwyneth Paltrow and "Spain: A Culinary Road Trip," with Mario Batali.

Now with a cookbook of her very own, the chef and author is set to become a household name. "Small Victories," published by Chronicle, combines personal anecdotes and dad jokes to make home cooking more accessible.

"My sort of big goal with the book was just to show the way I think about cooking, which is that it's just totally exponential: Once you do one thing, you can do a million other things," she says.

We chatted with Turshen, who lives in upstate New York with her wife, Grace Bonney — founder of blog Design Sponge — about her favorite recipes, her adoration of Julia Child and why no one should ever be ashamed to cook with canned beans.

Tell us about the concept of "Small Victories."

It's a little cheesy, but I've always approached life looking for small victories, which are really just small moments of figuring something out or something going well. It could be as simple as finding a parking spot.

What are your some of your favorite recipes in the book?

The turkey and ricotta meatballs are one of my favorite [easy] recipes. My wife actually made them for dinner last night, which was really thrilling, to watch her cook from my book. The chopped chickpea salad — that one's not even cooking, it's chopping a bunch of stuff and making a really easy dressing. I really like the small victory with that, which is just the idea of embracing certain ingredients that make your life easier, like canned beans, which I unabashedly love.

Which cookbook authors have influenced you?

I totally revere Julia Child. I learned to cook from watching her shows and reading her books, to the point that, when I was little my parents would call me "Julia, the child."

And your mother, Rochelle Udell, founded Epicurious.

Even before that, my mom's parents — who, sadly, I never knew — ran a bread bakery [called Ratchick's] in Brooklyn, so there's definitely a hereditary thing there. When my mom worked on Epicurious and got it started, I think that was the beginning of me understanding how much food could connect people.

Chef Julia Turshen cooks in her own kitchen. GENTL AND HYERS; BOOK IMAGE: PROVIDED

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The L.A.-based Allah-Las released "Calico Review" on Sept. 6 from Mexican Summer. PROVIDED

A different kind of Hollywood Dream

The Allah-Las live in West Coast reality.

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To call the Allah-Las a California band with a California sound — rooted in retro surf rock and sunshine pop — would only be half right. Allah-Las unites the East and West coasts, bringing those spacey elements of New York City's Velvet Underground and tougher-nut garage rock into play. The L.A. natives — Pedrum Siadatian (lead guitar), Miles Michaud (rhythm guitar), Matthew Coreia (drums) and Spencer Dunham (bass), all of whom sing and write songs — released their third studio album, "Calico Review," earlier this month, bringing a sound of a California that's no longer dreamin.'

"Each person has their own influences," says Dunham. "The songs I contributed deal with Hollywood and modern celebrity. My songs are '200 South La Brea,' which is about the reality of the Hollywood Dream, and 'Famous Phone Figure,' which is about internet fame."

The Hollywood Dream needs little explanation, but to a native like Dunham, Hollywood dreamers are a peculiarly naive set. "Not that people born and raised in L.A. are better or more well-adjusted," he adds. "But there's a certain element climbing the social ladder in less-than-wholesome ways."

The Allah-Las might not be chasing the Hollywood Dream, but it recently came to their door when actor/director James Franco contacted them about scoring his movie, "The Long Home."

"He reached out to us cause he liked our album," notes Dunham. "They gave us scenes and we went back and forth. I haven't seen the movie, it's coming out soon I think."

"The Long Home" is set in 1940s Tennessee, a long way from the Allah-Las 1960s and 1970s musical roots. "Calico Review" was recorded in Los Angeles' historic Valentine Recording Studio, which closed in the late '70s with everything intact. The gear, the decor, even a coffee cup or two, all just left there. It reopened earlier this year, offering a time capsule of L.A. in its heady rock days. The band not only used vintage gear, but also experimented with a Mellotron, an early synthesizer and a mid-'70s prog rock orchestra in a box.

"It added a unique element," says Dunham. "We used it on 'Famous Phone Figure' and it takes the song away from just acoustic guitar and drums and being this pop song, and puts it in a creepy kind of space."

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4 Ways to celebrate Oktoberfest in Philly

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Beginning Sept. 17, get your boot steins ready for Oktoberfest. The annual beer festival originated in Munich as a wedding celebration for Prince Ludwig and Princess Therese von Sachsen-Hildburghausen (that's a mouthful!) in 1810. Why is it called Oktobertfest when it's mostly in September? Back in the day it was celebrated in October, but was later moved to take advantage of warmer weather. While hopping on a plane to Munich to isn't realistic, revel in the joy of beer, food and fun right here. We found four ways to celebrate Oktoberfest in Philly that are fun and affordable. *Prost*!

South Street Oktoberfest

Saturday, Sept. 17
12 p.m.-8 p.m.
718 South St.
Pay as you go
brauhausschmitzoktoberfest.com
For the eighth year in a row, the folks at the German restaurant and beer hall Brauhaus Schmitz are bringing the Oktoberfest party to South Street. Chef Jeremy Nolan will be cooking up Oktoberfest eats, and beer will be served up by Hofbrauhaus, the world-famous Munich brewery.

UpToberfest Oktoberfest at Uptown Beer Garden

Saturday, Sept. 24-Sunday Sept. 25
Noon to 10 p.m. each day
1735 JFK Blvd.
Free admission
facebook.com/uptownbeergarden
Expect bands, games and foodie favorites like pretzels, wurst, schnitzel and spaetzle at this new Oktoberfest party. Local and imported beers will be on tap and you can even get a commemorative 1-liter boot stein. Burn calories every time you lift your beer-filled boot stein for a sip.

Roxtoberfest

Saturday, Oct. 1
noon-6 p.m.
Ridge and Lyceum avenues
Various prices
roxborough.us
If you brew beer at home, here's your chance to put your skills to the test. This fourth annual event on Ridge Avenue in Roxborough will feature a home brew competition and will be hosted by Fox 29's Mike Jerrick. There will even be local food trucks and live entertainment — so even if you don't drink beer, you have options for a good time.

23rd Street Armory Oktoberfest

Friday, Oct. 7 to Sunday, Oct. 9
Various times
22 S. 23rd St.
General admission $45; VIP $65
brauhausschmitzoktoberfest.com
The Brauhaus team will transform the 23rd Street Armory into a Munich festival tent for this memorable Oktoberfest experience — complete with Bavarian blue and white ceilings, festival tables and benches imported from Germany and stages for musical acts that include Die Heimatklange Orchestra and Grammy-winner Alex Meixner.

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HOT PLATE

Lengua Tacos

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These Lengua tacos will leave you "tongue-tied." BRITTANY SALERNO

Mission Taqueria opened a few weeks ago above Oyster House on Sansom, and it is already creating quite the buzz with its modern Mexican fare. It's a nice escape from the hustle and bustle of Center City. Inspired by Mexico City and San Francisco's Mission District, the open space design is full of light and greenery.

Upon perusing the menu, I couldn't help but notice the Lengua tacos. Made from veal tongue, it's a meat you don't see everyday in Philly, so I decided to give it a try.

The dish came out with three soft-shell corn tacos. Each came with a hefty portion of veal tongue, topped with braised cabbage, onion and a dollop of mustard-seed mayo.

The veal itself was juicy, lean and melted in your mouth — tasting like an earthier liverwurst. The braised cabbage and onion added a nice tangy element that helped balance out the veal's bold flavor. The crunch of these two ingredients also helped offset the veal's softness.

What really took this dish over the top, however, was the fluffy, buttery goodness of the mustard seed mayo. I licked my fingers in public to enjoy every last bit. No shame.

The Lengua tacos wouldn't be enough to fill you if you're superhungry, so I'd recommend getting an appetizer. The rosemaine and ayacote bean salad is an excellent meat-free option to accompany your tacos.

While Mission Taqueria offers a long list of cocktails, even nondrinkers can enjoy the delicious juices available at the bar — fresh squeezed on the spot. My favorite was the "yellow" option, made of pineapple, jicama and mango. *Que bueno*!

YOUR WEEKEND STARTS NOW

FESTIVALS

Mexican Independence Day Festival

The PECO Multicultural Series continues along the Delaware River Waterfront, this time with a hoopla to celebrate Mexican independence. Stop by to pay homage to the 11-year war that emancipated Mexico from Spain in 1821. There will be delicious food and drink, and a host of family-friendly activities, like face-painting and arts and crafts stations.
Sept.18, 2 p.m.-7 p.m.
Great Plaza at Penn's Landing
101 S. Christopher Columbus Blvd.
Free

Dance on Falls Bridge

For one night only, Falls Bridge is lit up and closed to traffic for a dance party above the Schuylkill. Your ticket grants you unlimited beer and wine from Dock Street Brewery and Chaddsford Winery. Philly 10-piece The Sofa Kings provide the tunes as you dance the night away for the East Falls Development Corporation.
Sept. 17, 7 p.m.

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DANCING

Jocks vs. Nerds

Gayborhood sports bar Tabu throws a high school-themed costume party that asks attendees to come dressed as a jock, nerd or whatever clique you were rocking back in the day. The night includes music by DJ KRK, yearbook photos by Alexander John Photography and prizes for the best get-ups. Watch out for hall monitors circling the dance floor. If you act up, you just might get thrown into the detention pit.
Sept. 16, 9 p.m.-1 a.m.
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Falls Bridge
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THEATER

2016 Fringe Festival

The Philadelphia Fringe Festival continues into its second week, bringing unique theater experiences to stages across the city. Check out the festival guide at fringearts.com to decide what to see this week.
Through Sept. 24
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Selah Sue

As a vocalist, you can't get a much better compliment than being compared to Adele and Erykah Badu, but that's what reviewers were screaming about Selah Sue after the release of 2015's "Reason." Give her a listen for yourself when she visits Union Transfer this weekend on her four-stop East Coast tour.
Sept. 18, 8:30 p.m.
Union Transfer
1026 Spring Garden St.
$15
ticketfly.com

Mystic Braves

L.A. rock act Mystic Braves not only sound like they stepped out of the 1960s, they look it. Tap into your inner flower child and join them Sunday night when they hit Johnny Brenda's in support of their new LP "Days of Yesteryear."
Sept.18, 9 p.m.
Johnny Brenda's
1201 Frankford Ave.
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EXHIBITS

"Victoria Burge: Penumbra"

Photographer Victoria Burge debuts a dazzling new exhibition at The Print Center that analyzes the effects of light. Join her for the opening reception Sept. 15 to hear Burge discuss her work in an artist's talk at 5:30 p.m.
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Mandina Lodges

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Sukau Rainforest Lodge

This gorgeous eco-lodge in Borneo, Malaysia, is perched on the banks of the Kinabatangan River, inside a wildlife sanctuary known for its exceptional biodiversity. River cruises on wooden boats provide an opportunity to see seven species of primate, including proboscis monkeys and orangutans. Elephants, rhinos, sun bears and leopards also roam here.

Banjaar Tola

Forget any worries about tatty tents and mosquito bites — this jungle camp in the middle of India's prime tiger territory is pure luxury. The 18 plush "tents" are semi-permanent suites made with compressed bamboo walls and floors and feature deep bathtubs, silk drapes and handcrafted furniture, on a prime riverbank spot in Kanha National Park, where big cats are easily seen on the daily safaris. Located in the misty hills of the southeastern state of Madhya Pradesh, the park is also home to leopards, striped hyena, porcupines and ant-eating pangolin, as well as some 200 bird varieties flitting amid the 70 species of trees.

Cristalino Lodge

Frequently cited as one of the best jungle lodges in the world, this 18-room eco-lodge in the Brazilian Amazon offers truly high-end lodgings in the midst of wild nature. Set within a private nature reserve on the densely forested banks of the Cristalino River, a tributary of the mighty Amazon, two 50-meter observation towers offer views at every level of the forest canopy and the chance to see birds and monkeys. Knowledgeable guides lead land and river nature excursions and photography trips.

Lapa Rios

Set in a 1,000-acre nature reserve in the tropical rainforest of the untamed Osa Peninsula in Costa Rica, this five-star luxury eco-lodge is a slice of heaven for anybody who enjoys lazing on the beach as much as trekking through wild jungle. The comfortable cabins overlooking the Pacific Ocean sit on flat ridges in a stretch of jungle that's shared with myriad animal inhabitants including pumas, monkeys, toucans and macaws, to name just a few.

Sanctuary Gorilla Lodge

This is the only luxury lodge within Uganda's imposing-sounding Bwindi Impenetrable Forest, a UNESCO World Heritage Site known for its volcanoes, jagged mountains and famous primate inhabitants perched on a flat ridge high in the jungle. Relaxing in your tented suite after a day on the gorilla trail, you can sink into a deep candlelit bathtub overlooking the forest canopy, or enjoy a meal and a drink in the bar and dining cottage.

Daintree Ecolodge & Spa

Amid the towering trees and 20-foot ferns of the world's oldest living rainforest in Queensland, Australia, this collection of 15 stylish bayan cabins and treehouses offers luxuries such as massages and facials, a fine-dining restaurant with al fresco deck and balcony Jacuzzis along with modern conveniences such as iPod docks, in-house movies and satellite TV. Guests are invited to interact with local aboriginal communities, take part in jungle treks and enjoy predinner sunset river cruises.

Inkaterra Reserva Amazonica

Guests at this eco-lodge in the remote regions of the Peruvian Amazon Basin can bed down among the birdlife in a surprisingly comfortable canopy treehouse, follow an "anaconda trail" across flooded swamplands, and get a monkey's-eye view of the forest from a walkway suspended through the treetops. And the credentials are impeccable, too: for 20 years the posada has been funding research into the area's ecosystem, and has discovered several new species of tropical amphibian.

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Will Wentz make receiving targets better like Brady does?

The Eagles' rookie sensation got a whole lot of production out of the Eagles receiving corps.

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Carson Wentz has pretty much become an overnight sensation in Philadelphia. GETTY IMAGES

The measure of a true superstar quarterback is if he makes everyone better around him.

One of the biggest defenses for former Eagles quarterback Sam Bradford is that he's "never had help."

It's true, Bradford never really had a star receiver or a great offense around him, and as such he posted fairly average numbers. A really great quarterback like Tom Brady makes everyone around him better. How many no-name wideouts has Brady turned into potent weapons seemingly out of nowhere?

Carson Wentz, the Eagles' rookie QB who lit up the lowly Browns in his NFL debut, looks like he has that quality — much like Donovan McNabb did when he was making NFC title games with the likes of James Thrash, Freddie Mitchell and Todd Pinkston.

Are Jordan Matthews and Nelson Agholor better than aforementioned Thrash or Pinkston? Or Julian Edelman, Deion Branch or Wes Welker — who were on nobody's radar before Tom Brady was throwing to them?

Profootballfocus.com ranked the Eagles' receivers 29th out of 32 team groups prior to the season, citing Agholor (who had four catches for 57 yards in Week 1) as the worst-rated WR in the entire league in 2015.

Matthews had 997 receiving yards and eight touchdowns on 126 targets and 85 receptions last year. Can he keep the pace of catching seven passes for 114 yards all season? Who knows — Sunday was too small a sample size. But the poise the rookie showed in the pocket and the protection he was given behind center made him look like a seasoned veteran.

"I think some of the best quarterbacks in this league have a chip on their shoulder," Matthews said of Wentz on Sunday. "So when they go out and go play the game — whether its practice, regular game, us just going and throwing routes when nobody is looking — its game reps for him. He has a maturity about him that even if it's not crunch time, he's always treating it like it is."

There are 15 more games this season and countless more in what will hopefully be a long and healthy career in the NFL for Wentz.

That being said, there's no harm in pontificating just a little bit.

"Obviously, enjoy it," Eagles coach Doug Pederson said earlier this week when asked what his advice was for Wentz following Sunday. "This business is short-lived. You get a chance to watch the film and make the corrections, and then we're right on to the next opponent."

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Shane Vereen could be a valuable running back on your roster if you're in a PPR league. GETTY IMAGES

BILL DUBIEL

OPINION

Bill Dubiel is a fantasy football expert for Rotoballer.com.

Looking around the league, one week into the season, and a look ahead to Week 2.

Allen injury clears the way for Tyrell Williams

For the third season in a row, Keenan Allen will not play a full season of football—in fact, he won't play another down in 2016. As unfortunate as the injury is, fellow Charger Tyrell Williams should benefit from a fantasy perspective. Travis Benjamin is the more well-known name, but he is more of a burner while Williams is the bigger, stronger receiver. He should occupy Allen's role on the outside, and that should return healthy dividends in the pass-happy Chargers offense.

Shane should show up in shootout

Giants scat-back Shane Vereen could be in for a big week as the best pass-catching option in the Giants backfield. The Giants get the New Orleans Saints at home, and given the fact that Drew Brees should have no problem putting up points against the New York secondary, this game should quickly evolve into a shootout. With the Giants trying to keep pace on the scoreboard, Vereen should see plenty of work on tosses and quick routes, and is a good bet to rack up receptions.

Rudolph to benefit from dink-and-dunk offense

Vikings tight end Kyle Rudolph is universally known as an end zone threat and nothing more, but his role could change in 2016 with Shaun Hill under center (replacing the injured Teddy Bridgewater). Rudolph was targeted eight times in Week 1, and he converted those looks into 65 yards on four catches. Even if Sam Bradford takes over for the veteran Hill, Rudolph should maintain his role in the middle of the field, as Bradford's arm isn't much stronger than Hill's. If you waited on tight ends in your draft, Rudolph should be an effective TE2 on your team with upside.

NFL sleepers of the week

Each week we will identify three players worth taking a shot on in deeper leagues.

Chris Thompson, RB, Washington Redskins – Starter Matt Jones was largely ineffective in Week 1, and Thompson outgained him on the ground and through the air. Could take Jones' job soon.

Eli Rogers, WR, Pittsburgh Steelers – Seems to be locked-in as the slot receiver in the explosive Pittsburgh offense. Even with Wheaton returning he'll have a role.

Austin Seferian-Jenkins, TE, Tampa Bay Buccaneers – Just one catch in Week 1, but it was in the end zone. He's got huge upside and should see more targets as the season wears on.

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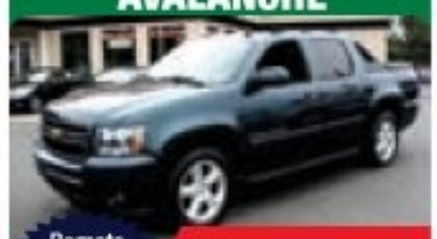
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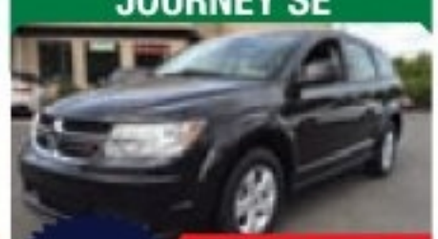
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World Cup of Hockey preview

Claude Giroux and Shayne Gostisbehere are both in action this weekend. GETTY IMAGES

Feel the chill in the air? OK, maybe not yet.

Either way, hockey season is right around the corner. Rookies report to the Flyers training camp on Monday, while veterans show up next Friday. In the meantime, hockey fans get to feast on the World Cup of Hockey, an eight-team tournament full of stars, that drops the puck Saturday:

IN THE MIX

Finland

Yes, the Fins are talented but they're too young. More than half the roster is either 25 or under. They must ride Tuuka Rask, a former Vezina Trophy winner, and Pekka Rinne, a former Vezina finalist.

North America

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CONTENDERS

Canada

Need to know how ridiculously talented Canada's roster is? Claude Giroux is on the fourth line. With the Flyers captain relegated to "checking line" duties, you can only imagine the potential of this lineup. Fresh off a gold medal at the in Sochi, captain Sidney Crosby and Co. are the favorites.

Sweden

Silver medal winners in Sochi, the Swedes are the Canada's biggest challenge. Led by two-time Norris Trophy winner Erik Karlsson, they boast the best defense and one of the best goalies, Henrik Lundqvist.

USA

Coach John Tortorella's biggest decision? Who to start in goal each game. He has to pick between studs Jonathan Quick, Ben Bishop and Cory Schneider. The trio is the sole reason the Americans have a shot at winning this thing after finishing a forgettable fourth at the Olympics.

Russia

Offense? Check. See Alex Ovechkin, Evgeni Malkin, Vladimir Tarasenko and reigning Rookie of the Year Artemi Panarin. Goaltending? Check. See Sergei Bobrovsky, Semyon Varlamov and Andrei Vasilevskiy. Defense? Not much. See the couple of players who played in the minors last season on the roster. Result? Muddled.

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Czech Republic

Flyers forward Jakub Voracek has his hands full as one of the lone stars on an underwhelming roster.

Team Europe

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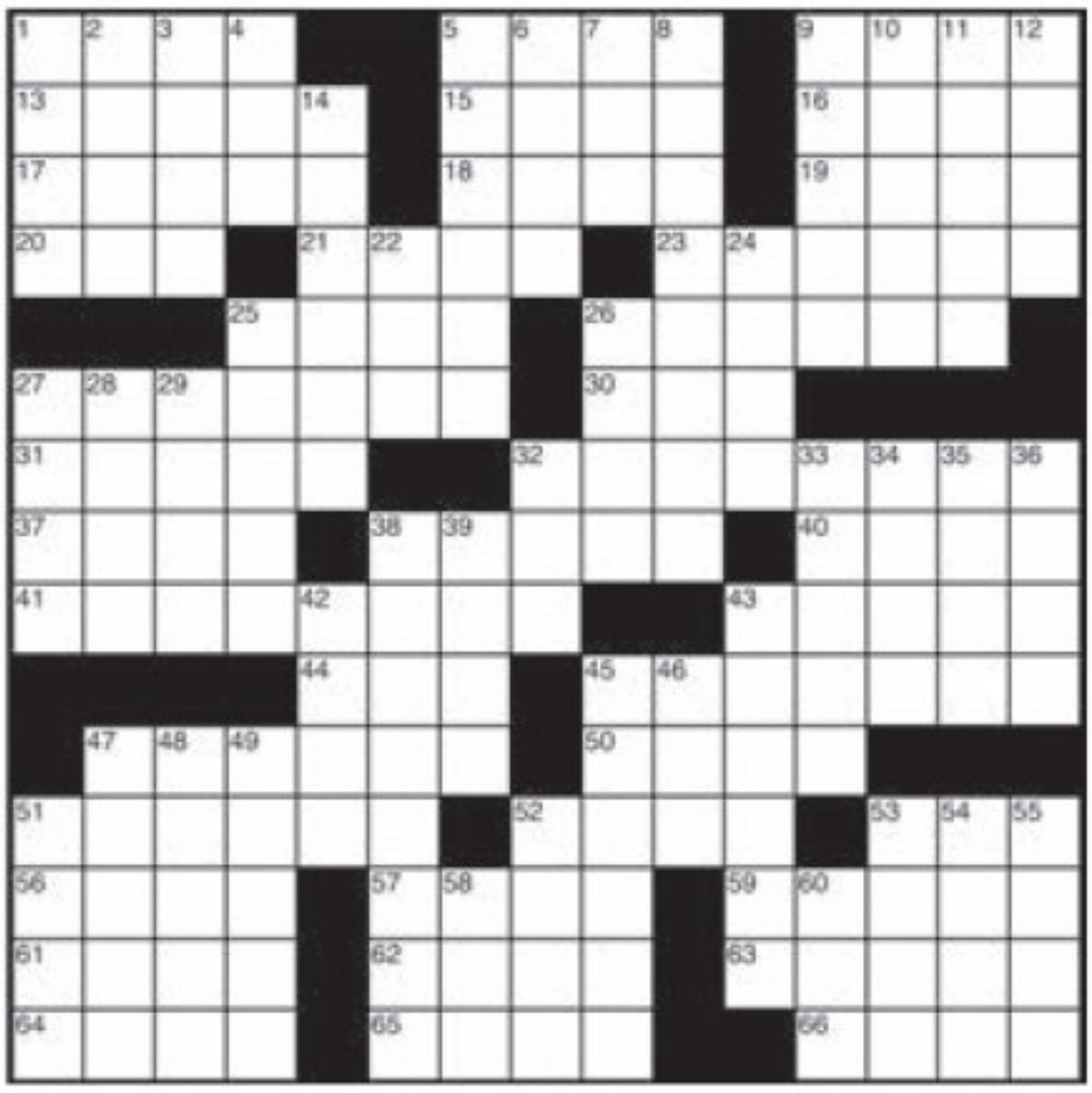

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Aries Don't share information that you don't want made public. Your reputation will depend on the way you handle personal matters. Learn from your experiences.

Taurus Get involved in something you feel passionate about in order to gain confidence as well as boost your reputation. A short trip will be informative.

Gemini Use your charm to wiggle your way into a position that will be more rewarding financially. A partnership looks promising if you initiate the changes you want to see.

Cancer You'll learn through the experiences you encounter today. A spiritual or philosophical awakening will help you make a life-altering decision. Follow your heart.

Leo Financial matters should be handled with care. You may feel like taking a risk, but the information you are given regarding a joint venture will fall short of your expectations.

Virgo If you keep your life simple and your mind on what's important, you will find a way to dodge any negativity and emotional manipulation that comes your way.

Libra Stay balanced and take a long look at all the ins and outs of any situation you face. Do your homework in order to avoid being manipulated.

Scorpio Your original way of doing things will catch on with your peers. Setting trends and encouraging others to explore new possibilities will put you in a profitable position.

Sagittarius Keep an open mind, but don't let anyone push you into something that will jeopardize your reputation or detract from your happiness. Put your needs first.

Capricorn Let your memories take charge and help you learn some valuable lessons from your past. Nothing will work well without the support of the people you care about.

Aquarius Don't let someone's inability to be straight with you get you down. You will find many other opportunities to collaborate with like-minded people.

Pisces Stay calm and refuse to become stressed and angry over something you cannot control. Personal satisfaction will come from self-improvements. EUGENIA LAST

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